

IN AND ABOUT WESTERLY

Expert Accountant to Examine Books of Former Treasurer Hoxie, of Charlestown—Enjoyable Concert at Wheeler School—Alva P. Clark Caught in Belt and Crushed to Death—The Granite Wage Situation.

George W. Hoxie, former state senator and treasurer of the town of Charlestown, in response to citation, appeared at a meeting of the town council and answered frankly all questions put to him in regard to his accounts as town treasurer, covering a period of seven years. He was in the office acting as interrogator, Mr. Hoxie acknowledged that he had kept money that belonged to the town in his possession instead of placing it on an interest-bearing loan and had used the money. Before retiring from office Mr. Hoxie deposited \$4,450, which represented the sum he owed the town. He declared that aside from the losses which the town may have sustained by reason of its funds not being on deposit and drawing interest, and by reason of discounting notes when it was not necessary to raise money, and thus cause the town additional loss, he did not know of any shortage in any other way.

Mr. Hoxie turned over to Town Treasurer Schiesinger all cancelled checks, stubs of checks, bank pass-books and vouchers he held as former town treasurer. The council gave authority to the town treasurer to employ an expert accountant to examine the accounts of Mr. Hoxie to determine the exact amount due the town and to make report to the town council as soon as possible.

A number of Westerly people went by trolley road to North Stonington on Wednesday evening and enjoyed the free musical entertainment given in the Wheeler school and library hall upon invitation of the trustees of the school. The entertainers were the Orpheus quartet of Providence, composed of Ann A. Pond, first tenor, Edward M. Wheeler, second tenor, Stephen E. Hopkins, first bass, and Robert L. Spencer, second bass, assisted by Charles Barry of Brown university as reader. There was a large audience and the several numbers of the following programme were given manifest approval: Sunset, Vari de Water, reading by Mr. Barry; Woodland Rose, Malr; Vesper Stars, Nevin; reading: Sweet Oleander, Gaillet; reading: Reveries, Storch; reading: On Board the Mary Jane, Stone; duet, Messrs. Pond and Hopkins.

In the absence of Dr. Herbert E. Rouse, medical examiner for the towns of Charlestown and Richmond, Dr. J. Howard Morgan, medical examiner for the town of Westerly, was called to Carolina Tuesday by reason of the accidental death of Alva P. Clark, an employee of the Carolina woolen mill. He was at work on a drier machine in the dyeing department when the sleeve of his jumper became caught in a set screw and he was instantly hauled by the belt to the main shafting and whirled about for a number of revolutions before the machinery could be stopped and Mr. Clark taken from the shafting. He was still alive and Dr. Milton Duckworth was quickly summoned, but when he arrived Mr. Clark was dead.

One leg and arm were broken and the body crushed. There was no disfigurement of the face except a slight abrasion on the chin. Dr. Morgan after investigation gave permission for the removal of the body and it was taken to an undertaking establishment in Hope Valley. Mr. Clark leaves a widow and three children.

With the presentation on the part of the granite workers of Westerly and the receipt by the employers' association of the agreement or bill of prices that is to prevail for three years beginning with March of next year, begins the series of meetings of local parties which will probably not terminate until the expiration of the bill of prices now in force. The granite workers held several preliminary meetings to formulate their side of the case, which will probably be insisted upon to the letter, and the employers have held just one meeting for the consideration of what they treat as a demand on the part of the employees.

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The main point at issue is an increase in wages of 10 per cent, and to this the employers at the present time do not agree, and a compromise or absolute refusal to comply with the demands of the employees will be the probable result.

When the present three year agreement was under consideration there was considerable loss of time to both employees and employers, as failure to agree resulted in a strike which was after some time amicably adjusted and pending settlement many quarry workers were given work elsewhere to lessen the demands upon the national union treasury for strike pay, which was about one-quarter of the amount usually received by the workers in wages. This condition was alike detrimental to the employer and employee, and the members of the local branches of the Granite Manufacturers' association and the Granite Cutters' and Quarrymen's unions will endeavor to avoid a repetition of the conditions of three years ago, when treatment for settlement was left to the strike committee and a like committee representing the manufacturers' association, neither of which had power to act definitely until their action was approved by the organizations represented, and even then without sanction of the national officers, all of which caused delay of operations after local matters were satisfactorily adjusted.

All the property of the Pike Niantic Dyeing company at Niantic has been formally transferred to the Bradford Dyeing company, an English syndicate, and the foreign concern also owns considerable land surrounding the Pike property, and the work of constructing a plant representing a capital of \$1,000,000 will soon be commenced.

The Pike Niantic Dyeing company has leased the mill property from the new owners for a short time and the mill will continue in operation for the present. It is given out that the Bradford concern will be the largest dyeing establishment in the United States.

There was a special meeting of the Westerly town council Wednesday evening. Angelo Capponi asked for increased police protection for Pierce street, which he believed necessary by reason of the presence of licensed liquor saloons. Mr. Capponi got this matter before the council before President Clark could announce the real object of the meeting. He stated that the meeting was called for action in regard to establishing a grade for Union street. Town Collector Agard added that James A. Welch and Charles Perry, who were directly interested in the matter, were both unable to be present on account of sickness, and suggested that the matter be deferred to the regular January meeting, and it was so voted.

Mr. Capponi then presented a petition signed by fifty-two taxpayers asking for day and night police protection in Pierce street. The petition was received and tabled temporarily.

Attorney John J. Dunn, counsel for Peter Rose, an applicant for liquor license in Oak street, presented a communication showing withdrawal of two of the remonstrants to the application. He also submitted a plan to show that a majority of the remonstrants did not own the greater part of the property within 250 feet of the premises. The Rose application was held up at a former meeting of the council.

James Jolly, who appeared in opposition to the granting of the license, informed the council that he could present additional remonstrants and was informed that there was no objection to such a course. Mr. Jolly then presented three additional remonstrants, which included the name of one of those who had signed withdrawal of remonstrance.

Attorney Ledwidge asked Mr. Jolly if he had the majority of signatures in opposition to the license from a majority of property owners within 250 feet of 37 Oak street, and replied that he had.

David C. McLauren, as a representative of the New England Granite workers, objected to a saloon in Oak street and spoke in advocacy of consideration of the remonstrance within the 250 foot limit.

The council informed the interested parties that the matter would be given consideration later.

Attorney Ledwidge appeared as counsel for a license for the Park hotel, which had been rejected at a previous meeting. Mr. Ledwidge stated that remonstrants against a license on the ground floor of the hotel were not opposed to a license in the hotel proper, the same as was granted to the Ixson house, and declared that public sentiment was in favor of fair play. There was no remonstrance against a license for apartments in the Park Avenue hotel. No action was taken.

A resolution was adopted in favor of parsoning the members of the life saving stations, and it was voted to send a copy to the Rhode Island delegation in congress. This action was without opposition.

It developed at the meeting that fourteen of the fifteen liquor licenses granted had been taken out, the exception being the Ocean house. It was understood that if no application was made by a resident of the state for the Watch Hill house by the next regular meeting that a license be granted some other applicant, and then the limit would be reached, provided a license was granted for a wholesale liquor business. If this wholesale license is granted the license business in Westerly will be finished for the year, and presumably without action on any of the applications now pending.

Local Lascivious.
Frank K. Ixson is home for the Christmas vacation. He is a student at the Williston seminary, East Hampton, Mass.

Private detectives are employed in some of the local stores to guard against shoplifting, which seems to be on the increase in Westerly.

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